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| Applicant(s): Blatter et al. | | | | | |
| Application No. 10/624,711 | Filing Date January 21, 2003 | Examiner Leslie R. Deak | Customer No. 32642 | Group Art Unit 3761 | Confirmation No. 7568 |
| Invention: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR FLUID OCCLUSION OF AN ACCESS TUBE ANASTOMOSED TO AN ANATOMICAL VESSEL | | | | | |
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| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 | | | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2375 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | | | |
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 29, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the pending claims in view of the remarks herein. Additionally, please contact Applicant's undersigned attorney in the event that any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of this application is found, which could be clarified by a telephonic interview, or which is susceptible to being overcome by means of an Examiner's Amendment.

A listing of the claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.